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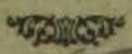
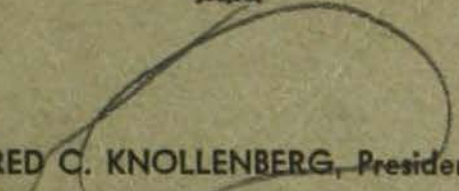
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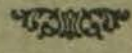
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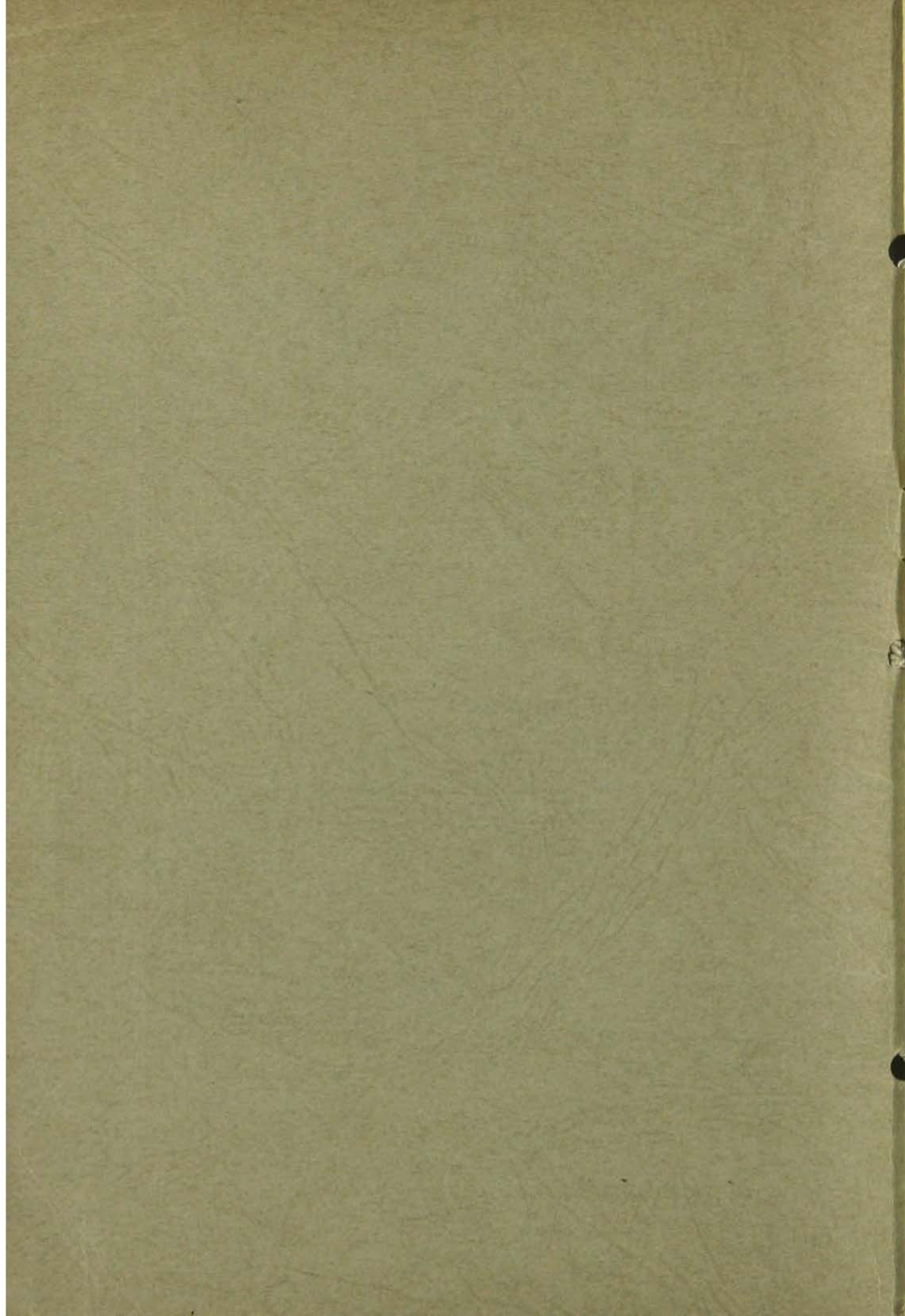
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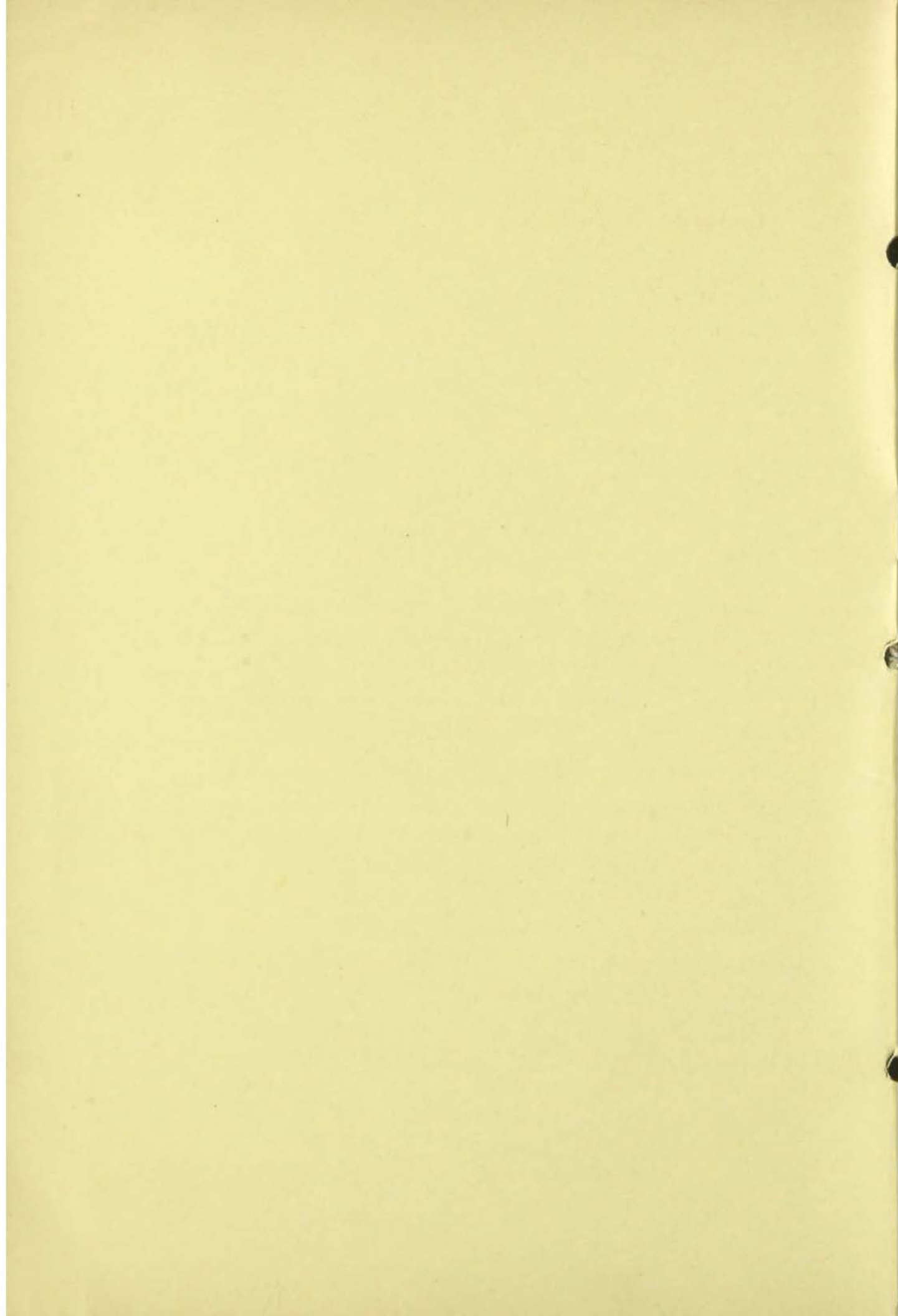
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You and each of you are notified that our President, Fred C. Knollenberg, does hereby summons you to answer roll call at the Lawyers' Club in the City of Ann Arbor, State of Michigan, on Friday, the 19th day of June, A. D. 1931, in the morning thereof, and thereafter remain in attendance through the meeting for the following (among other) purposes:

June 19th, Register at Lawyers' Club Lounge.
6:30 P. M.: Class Banquet at
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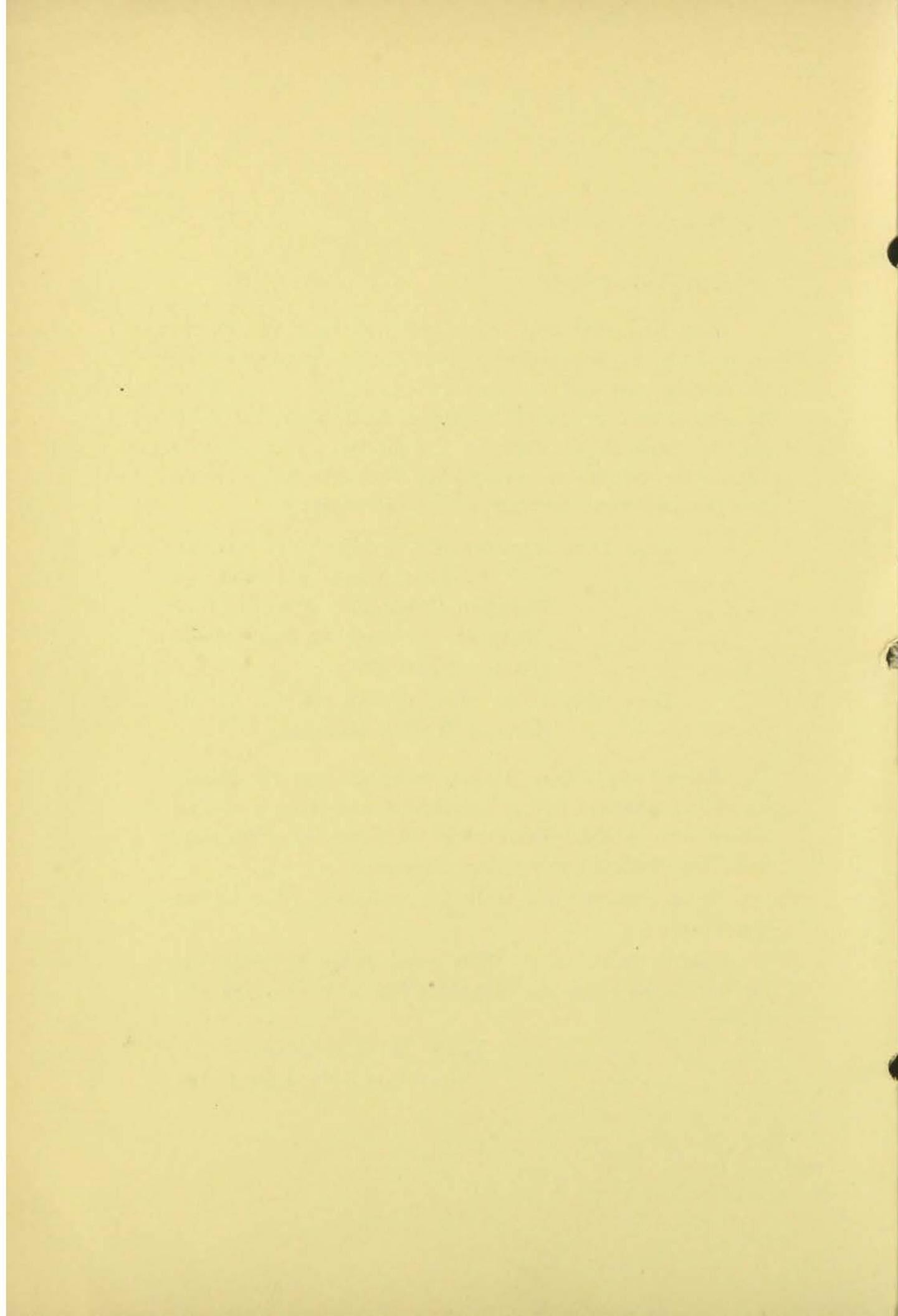
June 20th, Class Meeting and election of officers, and other business.

Attend such other Alumni meetings and receptions as will be planned by the University authorities, among which are baseball games, and at home by President and Mrs. Ruthven to visiting Alumni.

Make reservations early for rooms in Club to the Secretary.

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History of The Law Class of 1901

History, like time, has neither beginning nor end. So were one to write a true history of the Law Class of 1901, we should have to go back to "time out of mind" and forward into the ages to come.

The latter duty I leave to our Prophetist. The former to pens greater than mine. *I seek here* to give but a few of the many incidents that have been crowded into our past three years.

It was in the fall of '98 that our class first entered its appearance and submitted itself to the jurisdiction of the Michigan Law Faculty. *Many* of us pleaded ignorance of the law but soon found it was not a valid defense. *However*, imitation, assimilation, and a pounding process, administered by our zealous advocates of the law, soon began to fill our heads *with the various rules* of offer and acceptance, the never-ending clauses of the Statute of Frauds, and such, at that time meaningless, expressions as Caveat Emptor, Seizen of land per me et per tu, and Qui fecit per alium, fecit per se. *The meaning* of the last clause was perhaps the first to be thoroughly understood and applied, for it was not long before many a man found that "what he did through another he did through himself," as far as the instructor's marking went. *One day, however*, that principle of agency failed. Mr. Brown, who sat next to Mr. Hayes, was reciting on what, to Mr. Brown, was a somewhat unfamiliar passage. *When he had* finished, after much coaching from Hayes, Prof. Knowlton gave him one of those peculiar looks and

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remarked that Brown's ideas upon that subject seemed rather Hayes-y.

Of course, we laughed. One of our visiting lecturers had made us pun-proof, however, so the effects soon passed off and we were all the better prepared for a similar pun, in another recitation, when we heard of "Sayles by Sample." *Mr. Sayles* claims it to have been his own recitation, however, in spite of his neighbor, Sample's assistance.

So the first year was spent in learning the tricks and traditions of the University. *We learned* all the short cuts to lessons, all the methods of bluffing through an unprepared recitation. *We learned* how to hide from sight or to slip noiselessly and unobserved from one row of seats to another to avoid Prof. Knowlton's systematic order of quizzing. *We learned* that a small boy could cover a seat number as well as the largest man in the class; or even better still, that if the whole bench were eliminated, none would be the wiser. *We learned* that though one of our professors could rebut the anti-imperialistic arguments of a Bryan, a Towne, and a Cochran, all in one speech, *he couldn't* detect the joke when a short, light haired man recited for his absent, tall, dark haired classmate and won for him a ten.

But while we were fooling the faculty, upper classmen were having their fun with us. *We were sold* Campus Tickets and thus admitted to any building on the grounds. *We subscribed* to the fund in aid of needy students; only to find them thirsty rather than needy. *We learned* to distinguish Pres. Angell from Old Jim Otley—the checkman in the General Library; also that Mrs. Angell had no more rooms to rent. *We*

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soon learned that the Dean did not keep a very close watch of the motor* and that it was possible to leave town and go to Ypsi without the permission of the faculty. *Mr. Andrews* found that there really wasn't much sport in snipe-hunting with bag and candle, especially when the upper classmen go away to round up the snipe and leave him holding the bag till early dawn. *And Mr. Aluli* learned that sometimes others than the faculty send out notices of conditions and that his presence at the faculty meeting, in response thereto was quite unnecessary. *Even Mr. Means* learned that a sweater may be worn in Practice Court without an apology to Judge Bogle. *All this* and much more we learned in that one crowded year.

But in June we succeeded in obtaining a "continuance" and our trial went over till the next term. *During the vacation*, the faculty had fully recovered and, in the Fall, went at us with redoubled energy. *They filled* us so full of pleading—equity pleading, code pleading, and common law pleading—that our heads fairly swam with rules. *We were told* to make them "single, certain, and material"; but there wasn't a single thing of which we were certain, and we couldn't see that any of it was material anyway.

We learned of "Landlords and Tenants" but the word pictures of our professor were always dispelled by visions of our landlady, with unpaid bills for room rent. *That landlady*, how shall we ever forget her. How well we remember her weekly dunning visits, her untiring interest in our private mail matter, and her

*Steam driven interurban car, long since forgotten. Memo 3/1/31.

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motherly concern and curiosity as to our late evening occupations. Curiosity, thy name is landlady.

Then there was Evidence, with its chapter after chapter of exceptions—nothing but exceptions. *How could* the faculty expect us to have a clear understanding of such a subject? *It was* no wonder then that Mr. Simmons' conception was somewhat clouded when Prof. Lane suddenly asked him to recite on the subject "Presumption of Fact." *When asked* what was the presumption when a man was seen walking along with an umbrella over his head, Sandy replied, "That it was raining." *When asked* if it mightn't have been because the sun was shining, he replied, "Perhaps, but I was presuming under cloudy conditions."

That Junior year was a fierce year for text book work. Of the 12,000 pages of text we have had to struggle through, about 6000 came in that one year. *It was* furthermore the in-between year, when the newness of the work had worn off and the enthusiasm of a life work soon to be begun had not yet taken possession of us. *If the first* year was a filling process—the second was a grind. It was a case of so many thousand pages to read and so many hundred rules to learn and that was all.

But with our third year came the application to practical problems of all that we had been learning. *Then we* began to see the good of it all. *We were applying* our learning and rules to something. *The dry pages* of text were filled with living questions and began to live. *We began* to see how this rule and that applied to the every day life of the lawyer and we began drawing out our old text books and learning the rules anew. *This time in a* different way—not as rule one or rule three or as the six rules of this or the

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four exceptions to that, but as "Can I get in that testimony of Jones or will the other fellows object and Judge Bogle sustain their objection?" *Then the hearsay rule* meant something. The bare meaningless rules proved themselves useful and we wished we had learned them better.

It was when we came to write our thesis however, that we first discovered what a loss we had sustained by the death of one of the best friends the boys ever had. *The news* of Librarian Vance's death came as sad tidings to all those who had ever come in contact with that quaint old gentleman. *Though somewhat bluff* in his ways, a more willing man never was. He was never too busy to help one find a desired case, and his fund of book knowledge was ever at your command. *To be sure* it was often his unpleasant duty to silence us ever-talkative Laws, but it was always done in such a pleasant manner that the rebuke brought no resentment. *A modern Shakespeare* inspired by one of those reminders once gave expression to his thoughts as follows:

With glance, askance, Librarian Vance,
Lest we should smile, Walks down the aisle,
And rubber-necks at us awhile.

But joke as we would at the old man's expense, we could not fail to be impressed by his personality. *Leaving* us as he did, while we were away for the holidays, we can hardly believe that he shall never return. *It seems* rather that he is but taking a long deserved vacation, for he has served the University off and on ever since the early sixties.

The class has also been unfortunate in losing two of its own members early in our career. Both Mr. H.

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D. Rockwell of Pontiac and Mr. J. A. Wilson of Jackson were taken from us in our freshman year, before they had fairly entered upon their course.

It was also in our freshman year that news came to us of the death of Judge Cooley. *He had* long been failing, but when the end really came, not only our University but the legal profession throughout the world and even those in other walks of life, mourned the death of that great man. *Though one* of the founders of our department, he had for several years past been unable to take an active part in its progress. *His greatness* is to be found not in the books he has written nor the great opinions he has delivered. *It was* because he was a man. A man through and through. Not great and noble only when doing a great thing, but great and noble in the little every day affairs of life. *He was honest*, he was honorable, he was industrious. Not mounting to fame in an instant, but growing steadily, patiently. Each day found him greater than the last. *Be the hereafter* what it may, that man has made for himself an eternity in the hearts of men. As we learn of his life and feel his lingering influence, who of us has not been stirred to nobler things. *How often*, while struggling over our work, in the library, have we caught our gaze wandering from one to another of the various portraits on the wall, to rest at last upon that kind and sympathetic face. *At sight of him* what hopes and ambitions sprang anew in our breasts. *His is not* a life that is past and will be forgotten. *Though "death touched him and he sleeps"* his influence is ever present and by it our profession is inspired to nobler ends. *There can* be but one Cooley but may those who follow his

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teachings and strive for his lofty ideals be as numberless as the many kindnesses of his great life.

Passing now from the influences with which we have been surrounded, let us see what has been *our* part in this college life of ours.

In politics, our class has always been prominent. *We have* among our members the President of the Republican Club and also of the Democratic Club, and would probably have had the presiding officer of the other club also, were it not that the Laws never did shine much as Prohibitionists. *But there are* other positions our members have held. Both Mr. Weinstein and Mr. Verdier have been president of the Athletic Association and we have had three directors on the Board. *In one of* those stormy elections of the Oratorical Association, at which the Laws as usual carried everything, Mr. Cole was elected president. We have had leader of the Glee Club, Managing Editor of the Daily, several other members of that paper's staff, *and this year* Managing Editor of the Michiganensian, our praiseworthy Senior Annual. *It was our* class who first introduced the Hutchins or Australian system of balloting at class elections and tamed the combative spirit hereditary to our department and elections.

In athletics we have a proud record though it has been our misfortune never to have won a class championship. *We have* defeated many of the strongest teams in the University and only last fall we came so near winning the football championship that, after the final game, the victorious '02 Lits went wild with delight and spoiled the glory of their victory by indulging in the famous "red paint sketching tour."

Though we have never won a class championship, we have helped to make a winning Varsity. On the

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All-Fresh football team we had Leipheimer, Frazer, Hoover and Childs. *To the* baseball team we gave Flesher and Condon. *The Captain* of the track team is Mr. Hayes and with him are Buckley and Shorts. While to the football team we gave such men as Marks, Bliss, Shorts, Whitcomb, McDonald and the never to be forgotten Widman, whose famous run gave Michigan her championship of the West in 1898. *With men* like these representing us on our Varsity teams, I say again that we have an athletic record of which any class might justly be proud.

Socially, 1901 has also been a leader. *We gave* a freshman banquet to be proud of, *our class* started the class socials among the law classes, which culminated in such successes as the April Fool Party this spring. It was Mr. Ortmeier, a member of our class, who originated the Cooley Day idea, which was carried out so successfully both last year and this and bids fair to become a permanent institution. *Then there* are the Celebrities. Who but a thirsty, grafting, Senior Law could think up such an ingenious scheme, and when the cry of "Aye-Aye" announced the election to fame of another celebrated victim, who flocked in to share the initiation treat in greater numbers than the Senior Laws? *It was the Senior* Laws who this year started the fad of torpedo marbles and last year helped to give the spinning and kite flying such a start, *and the year* before that set the style of wearing hats that looked like overworked hotel registers—written so full of names were they. Members of our class have always been in evidence at the Varsity Athletic parties, the first of which were given in our freshman year, and *even* at the county fair in the fall, Laws could be seen, dragging away, as souvenirs, every

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sort of thing from signs to life sized pumpkins and crooked necked squash. *Down town* at "Joe's" many a name carved in the oak table tops have the figures '01 Law after them. *All this* and much more goes to show that our class has been a congenial, social, and fun loving class. The fact that we have fallen off in numbers from two hundred and seventy to two hundred and thirty also indicates this, but such a falling by the wayside has been the record of other classes also.

It was our class who started fancy dress parades at the final class games by organizing in our Junior year the tin-pan brigade which was followed this year by the Junior Laws with their tin-can squawkers and yellow jackets. We were always famous about the campus for our noisiness and are often spoken of as the "noisy laws." There is a story told of how a professor's wife once explained to her two children, who chanced to be passing our building, that those were the Laws, who were making all that racket in there. It may have been a class meeting or perhaps only Mr. Sayles arguing a motion before the court. But at any rate, the uproar and confusion appealed to the youthful minds for one day, on returning home, their mother was disturbed at hearing similar sounds proceeding from her own house. When asked the meaning of such confusion and racket the children simply replied that they were "playing laws." As to these children, so to many an outsider, such seems to constitute a "law." But to us the shouting and clapping, the occasional stamping and the oft repeated:

Rizzar-racker-fire cracker

Ziz-boom-bah,

Naughty one law class, Rah-rah-rah.

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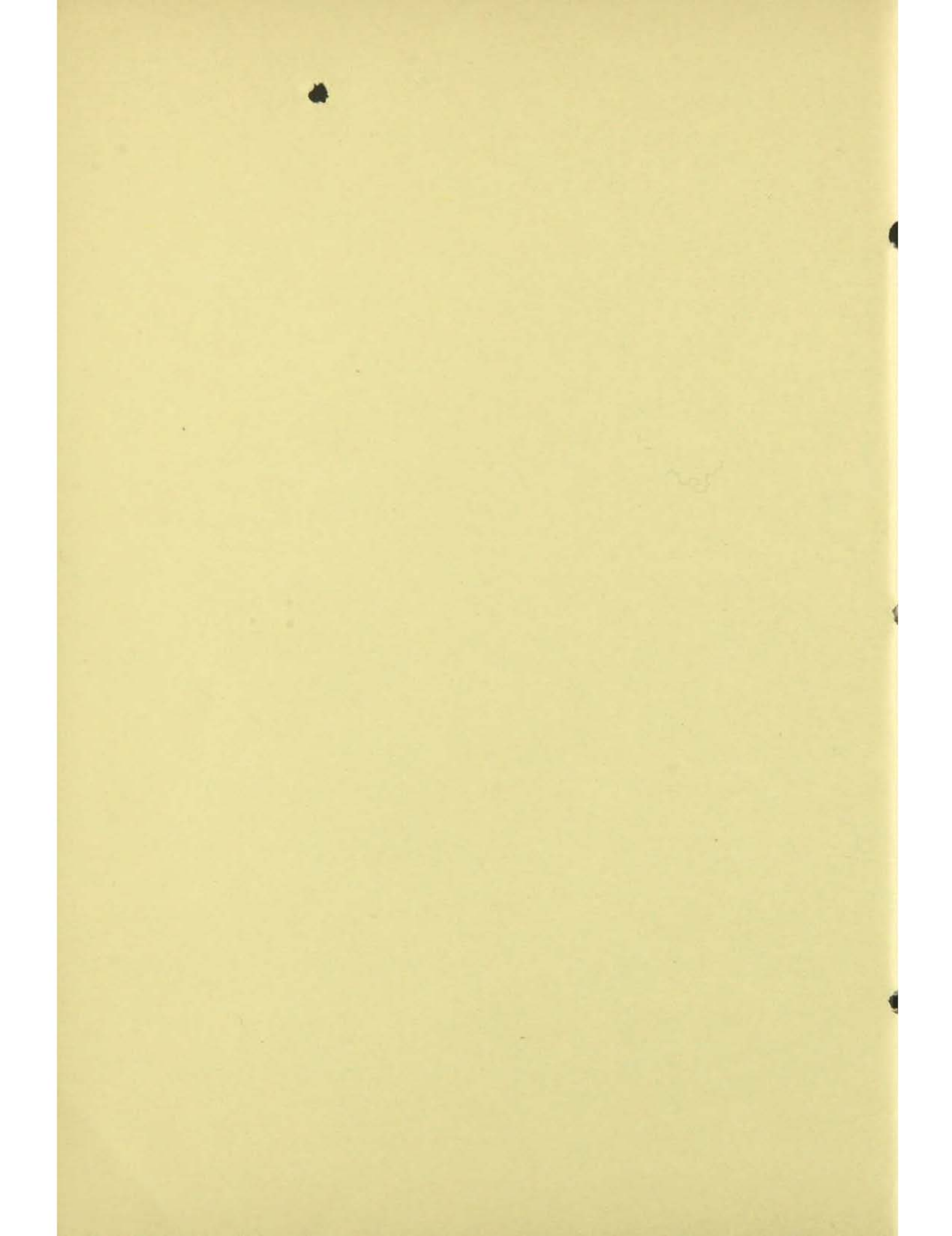
means more than senseless clamor. It is the expression of youthful manhood and enthusiasm, which is there and must come out. It comes now like the bubbling over of boyish activity and life, it will come out later, guided by a university education, as the push and energy of young manhood which shall guide the nation. As commencement day approaches, we must lay aside the boyish pleasures of college life, and those who today parade the streets of their college town, with shouting voices and beating pans, in honor of a victorious varsity team, must tomorrow walk the streets and avenues of their native cities with manly tread and assume the dignity of the professional man, the lawyer.

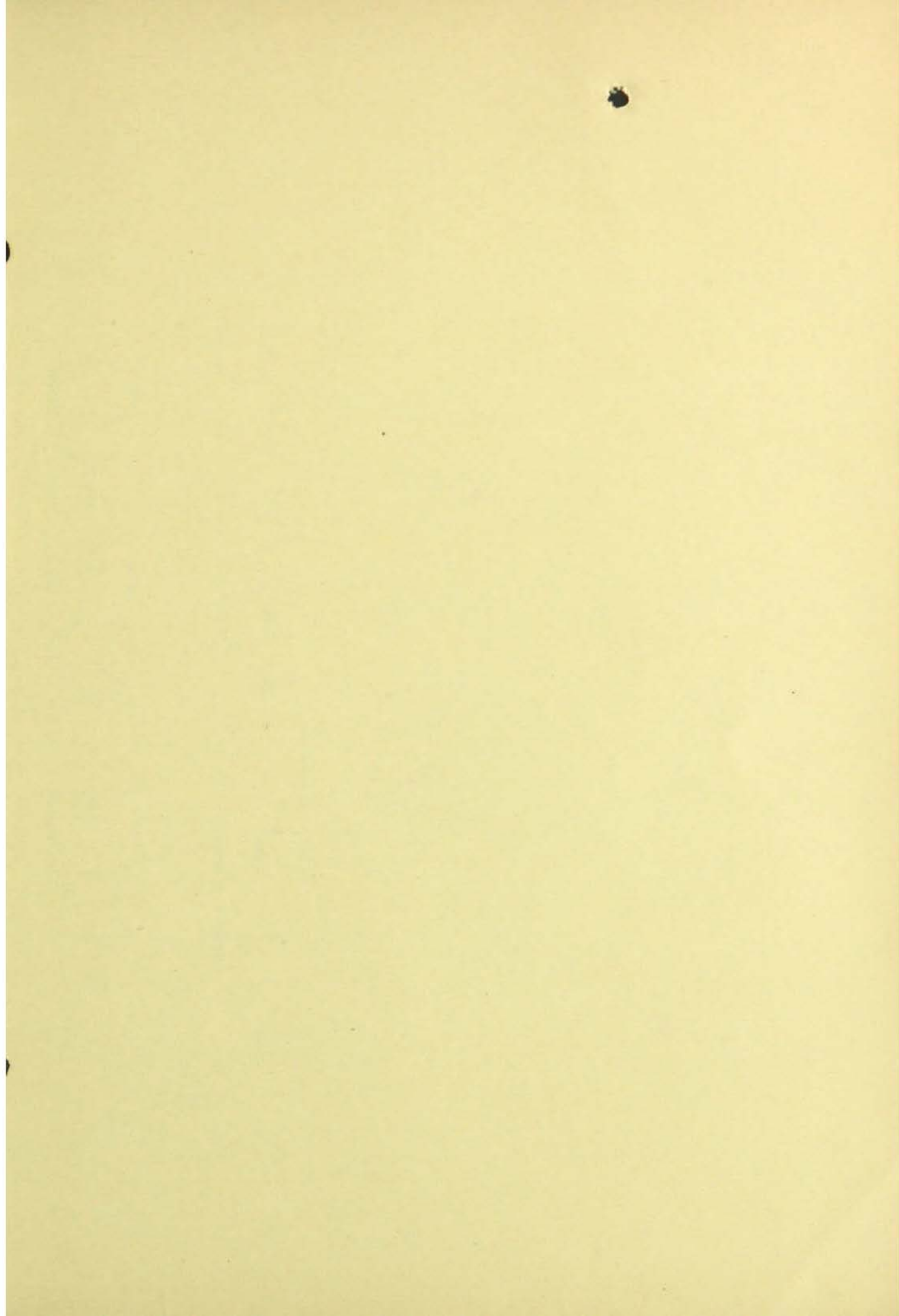
With commencement our history as a class will end. With commencement we separate—each to go his way and do his part. Though the paths of life may lead us far away, a backward glance o'er the years must ever be toward this college life we are about to close. In the future when success has crowned our efforts, let us not forget the three years we have spent together. A backward glance over those three years reveals various lights and shadows along the way. Long stretches of sunny landscape, with here and there a mountain top, from whose summit we enjoyed rare visions of prophecy fulfilled and of promise beyond. A few monotonous levels and a few light, misty clouds complete the picture. But may the time come when some of us at least may again meet and review this picture of the Class of 1901, and live again in thought, if not in reality, our three years so happily spent at the University of Michigan.

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